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**Patricia C. Fawsett**  
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1943  
Education: Florida 1965 BA, 1966 MA, 1973 JD  
Began Service: 1986  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Akerman Senterfitt and Edison, P.A. (1973-1986)

**Chambers of District Judge Elizabeth A. Kovachevich**

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**Elizabeth A. Kovachevich**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1936  
Education: Miami 1958 BBA; Stetson 1961 JD  
Began Service: 1982  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Judicial:** Secretary, St. Petersburg Bar Association (1969); Member, Board of Regents, Florida (1970-1972); Circuit Judge, Florida Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit (1973-1982); Judicial Member and Co-Chairman, St. Petersburg Bar Association (1978-1982); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida (1996-2002)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, DiVito & Speer (1961-1962); Private Practice (1962-1973)

**Current Memberships:** The Florida Bar

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**Anne C. Conway**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1950  
Education: John Carroll 1972 BA; Florida 1975 JD  
Began Service: 1992  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable John A. Reed, Jr., United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida (1975-1977)

**Legal Practice:** Young, Turnbull & Linscott (1978); Wells, Gattis, Hollows & Carpenter (1978-1981); Carlton, Fields, Ward, Emmanuel, Smith & Cutler (1982-1992)

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**Steven D. Merryday**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1950  
Education: Florida 1972 BA, 1975 JD  
Began Service: March 16, 1992  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Holland & Knight LLP (1975-1983); Partner, Glenn, Rasmusen, Fogarty, Merryday & Russo (1983-1991)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Bar Association; The Florida Bar

**Staff**

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Term Expires: November 2008  
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**Susan Cawthon Bucklew**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1942  
Education: Florida State 1964 BA; South Florida 1968 MA; Stetson 1977 JD  
Began Service: December 1993  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Instructor, Hillsborough Community College (1974-1975)

**Judicial:** Judge, Hillsborough County Court (1982-1986); Judge, Florida Circuit Court, 13th Judicial Circuit (1986-1993)

**Legal Practice:** Corporate Counsel, Walter Corp. (1978-1982)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The Herbert G. Goldberg Criminal Law American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; The William Glenn Terrell American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Florida Association for Women Lawyers; The Florida Bar; Hillsborough Association for Women Lawyers; Hillsborough County Bar Association

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**Henry Lee Adams, Jr.**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Education: Florida A&M 1966 BS; Howard U 1969 JD  
Began Service: December 10, 1993  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Government:** Assistant Public Defender, Fourth Judicial Circuit, State of Florida (1970-1972)

**Judicial:** Judge, Florida Circuit Court, Fourth Judicial Circuit (1979-1993)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Sheppard, Fletcher, Hand & Adams (1972-1976); Partner, Marshall & Adams (1976-1979)

**Current Memberships:** D.W. Perkins Bar Association; The Florida Bar; Jacksonville Bar Association; National Bar Association

**Staff**

Secretary **Mary Oliver** ..... (904) 549-1930

**Chambers of District Judge Richard Alan Lazzara**

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**Richard Alan Lazzara**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Education: Loyola (New Orleans) 1967 BA; Florida 1970 JD  
Began Service: November 1, 1997  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Government:** Assistant County Solicitor, County of Hillsborough, Florida (1970-1972); Assistant State Attorney, County of Hillsborough, Florida (1973)

**Judicial:** County Judge, Florida County Court, Hillsborough County Court (1987); Judge, Florida Circuit Court, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit (1988-1993); Judge, Florida Court of Appeal, Second District (1993-1997)

**Legal Practice:** Associate Attorney, Freedman & Hirsch, P.A. (1973-1975); Sole Practitioner, Law Offices of Richard A. Lazzara (1975-1986)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The C.H. Ferguson-M.E. White American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; American Judicature Society; Hillsborough County Bar Association; Order Sons of Italy in America

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**James D. Whittemore**  
District Judge

Education: Florida 1974 BS; Stetson 1977 JD  
Began Service: May 27, 2000  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Government:** Assistant Federal Public Defender, Office of the Federal Public Defender (1978-1981)

**Judicial:** Circuit Judge, 13th Judicial Circuit Court, County of Hillsborough, Florida (1990-2000)

**Legal Practice:** Law Clerk and Associate, Bauer, Morlan & Wells, PA (1977); Associate, Whittemore & Seybold, PA (1981-1982); Associate, Whittemore & Campbell, PA (1982-1987); Sole Practitioner (1987-1990)

**Chambers of District Judge John Antoon II**

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**John Antoon II**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946  
Education: Florida Southern 1968 BA;  
Florida State 1971 JD; Florida Tech 1993 MS;  
Virginia 2001 LLM  
Began Service: June 2, 2000  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton



**Government:** Prosecutor, City of Cocoa, Florida (1971-1972); Part-time Assistant Public Defender, Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, State of Florida (1972-1976)

**Judicial:** Circuit Judge, Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, Florida (1985-1995); Judge, Fifth District Court of Appeal, Florida (1995-2000)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Gleason, Walker, Pearson, and Shreve (1971); Partner, Shreve, Antoon, and Clifton (1972-1974); Partner, Antoon and Clifton, PA (1974-1976); Partner, Stromire, Westman, Lintz, Baugh, McKinley, and Antoon, PA (1976-1984)

**Staff**

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Education: Emory 1992 BA;  
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